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REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider his rejection of Applicant's §131 Affidavit for removing the Cullen patents Nos. '744 and '910 as prior art.

The Examiner has rejected the §131 Affidavit on the grounds that Applicant is claiming the same patentable invention as is claimed in the Cullen patents.

It is Applicant's position that one of the elements of the Cullen patent claims has no counterpart in Applicant's claims; that